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Address of the Committee on the State of Religion and Fraternal Correspondence with the Churches composing the Mt. Pisgah Association.

DEAR BRETHREN AND SISTERS:—God has again permitted us to meet in an associated capacity. Brotherly love seemed to prevail and the spirit of Christ and the apostles was manifested, so that, of a truth, we trust that evidences were given that we have been with Jesus, and all realized that we sat in heavenly places in Christ. We have had fine weather and health, so that a full delegation were in attendance. The intelligence from the churches is of an encouraging character. Most of them are in a state of brotherly love, peace and prosperity.—Many of them have been refreshed with precious revivals, and in no year for many has the number of baptisms been equaled. We have had an accession of six new churches to our body. But while we thus rejoice and thank God for the general prosperity, order and peace of the churches, we are at the same time called to mourn over the fact, that in a few instances, great coldness and declension are evidenced, and, even confusion and disorder, in a case or two. Such we admonish to greater faithfulness, that they return to the old paths—maintaining order and discipline in their churches.

We are happy to state that the blessings of God still seem to attend our missionary efforts. We refer you to the report of our Executive Board; but would briefly state here, that the destitution has been supplied, churches reared up, and the weaker portion of our Zion greatly strengthened. With gratitude to God we state to you that at no time since the war, has such liberality been evidenced by the churches in support of the Mission cause. The amount sent up we feel will very nearly meet the

claims of our Missionary for the past year's services, and with the remaining pledges from his field of labor, we hope to be able not only to pay for the past, but have a surplus remaining. But even here we find a cause for grief. From a few of our churches we have not received a cent for the cause. And even some of our ministers and pastors of churches standing opposed to it. Beloved brethren, how solemn and interesting the relation we sustain to the great Head of the church, to one another, to His cause and this sin-enslaved world.

We claim to be the successors in faith and practice of the primitive churches and feel, as such, that to us is committed the important work of supporting and defending the doctrine and institutions of Christ. We claim, not only, that our principles are set forth in the Word of God, but that in the light of history we are able to trace a succession of churches from the days of Christ till now, that have held and maintained the distinctive principles that characterize us as a people:

1st. A believing membership.

2nd. Baptism by immersion only.

3rd. Equality in the Ministry.

4th. The government a popular democracy.

This succession of churches we admit to have existed under different names, to wit: Montanists, Cathari, Paulicians, Albigenses, Waldenses, Ana-Baptists—finally, Baptists.

Oh brethren, how solemn and responsible our work.—Let us ever remember that our principles are taught in the Word of God, and may this encourage us more fully to acquaint ourselves with its teachings, that we may shape our lives and practices as a people, according to its teachings and be the better prepared to press their claims upon others.

Affectionately yours in Gospel bonds,

SHELBY KING,

W. R. BUTLER,

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SATURDAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

HILLSBORO, Sept. 18th, A. D. 1869.

The Mt. Pisgah Baptist Association Convened this day in her thirty-third Annual Meeting pursuant to adjournment.

The introductory sermon was preached by Eld. N. L. Clarke, from Luke, 10th chapter, 2nd verse. Theme:—Gospel Ministry, its work, obligations and qualifications.

After an intermission of an hour the delegates assembled in the church house and the Association was called to order by the Moderator, Eld. N. L. Clarke. Prayer by Eld. S. King.

Bros. A. Eastland, J. J. Crane, and S. King were appointed to read letters.

Bro. Z. T. Faulkner was appointed Assistant Clerk.

A committee on Finance was appointed, consisting of T. Cooper, W. Graham, and T. K. Cole.

Elds. O. F. Breland and J. S. Antley were requested to conduct the services at the stand.

Letters were read from thirty-seven churches, names of their delegates enrolled, and statistics minuted. Five churches, not represented. (See table.)

The body proceeded to choose her officers for the next year. On motion, it was resolved to do so by acclamation. The same officers were unanimously chosen: N. L. Clarke, Moderator, W. R. Butler, Clerk, I. Bailliff, Treasurer. The Moderator made a few remarks of admonition and encouragement to the brethren, and announced the body organized.

Churches desiring to be admitted were requested to present their petitions. The following presented letters by their delegates, and being found orthodox, were duly received: Union, Neshoba county, Miss.; Salem, Scott county; Neshoba Springs, Neshoba county; Sharon, Smith county; Sylvarena, Smith county; Newton, Newton county.

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Correspondence from other bodies being called for, Elds. J. M. Pearson, P. M. Gaddis and brethren T. J. Denson and J. N. Denson were received from Harmony Association bearing a package of minutes.

Also from Salem Association, Bro. Wm. Eastlerling with a letter and minutes.

The following committees were appointed:

COMMITTEE ON PREACHING:—J. M. Pace, Chairman, W. R. Butler, I. C. Haralson, M. E. Manning and J. Canada, who retired to arrange Lord's day services.

COMMITTEE ON QUERIES AND REQUESTS:—A. Eastland, Chairman, B. Sims, W. W. Hardy, E. Dean, L. P. Murrell, W. A. Hutson, J. A. Hendon, Sr.

COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS:—A. Grissett, Chairman, J. A. Hendon, Sr., T. J. Smith, J. J. Crane, J. W. Moore.

COMMITTEE ON SABBATH SCHOOLS:—D. D. Booth, Chairman, V. L. Murphy, J. G. Melton, J. E. Chism.

COMMITTEE TO WRITE LETTERS:—B. F. Duke, Chairman, J. J. Webb, J. J. Crane.

COMMITTEE ON STATE OF RELIGION AND FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE WITH THE CHURCHES:—S. King, Chairman, W. R. Butler, J. Jolly, O. F. Breland, J. M. Haralson, Z. T. Faulkner. On motion, the Moderator was added.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS:—W. W. Hardy, Chairman, G. O. Harper, R. B. Nichols, J. O. Carr, W. L. Summers.

On motion, Bros. E. S. Clarke and W. A. McMichael were excused from further attendance upon this session.

The annual report of the Missionary Board of this Association was read, received and made the special order for 11 o'clock, A. M., Monday.

Resolved, That a public collection be taken up for Missions at the close of the Annual Sermon on Lord's day.

Committee on Preaching reported that Eld. D. D. Booth is appointed to preach here to-night, Eld. O. F. Breland at Harpersville, Eld. S. King at 11 o'clock, A. M., on Lord's day, the Annual Sermon on Missions, as per appointment last year. In the evening Eld. R. Crenshaw, and the services to be concluded by Eld. N. L. Clarke. To-night Eld. Breland here, and Eld. Booth at Harpersville. On Monday, at 11 o'clock, A. M., at stand, Eld. J. S. Antley, and in the evening, Eld. A. Grissett.

Adjourned to half-past 8 o'clock, A. M., Monday. Benediction by the Moderator.

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LORD'S DAY.

The brethren appointed to preach to-day labored as per appointment. Bro. King delivered the Annual Sermon on Missions from 1 Cor. 1st chap 21st verse. Theme:—God's method of imparting a true knowledge of Himself in salvation. Collection for Domestic Missions, \$52 35. After an hour's intermission, Bro. Crenshaw preached a pathetic sermon from Jno. 12th chap. 27th verse. Theme:—Christ's sufferings. Bro. Clarke closed by an impressive exhortation. About \$50 00 was collected for our visiting, blind brother, R. Crenshaw.

MONDAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

MONDAY, half-past 8 o'clock, A. M.

Association met according to adjournment. The Moderator led in prayer.

The roll was called, the delegates answering to their names, except Bro. M. P. Williams, who was absent, and excused on account of sickness.

The Rules of Decorum were read by order from the Moderator.

On motion, the former order of business was adopted.

Visiting Ministers of our order were invited to seats with the body. Bros. J. S. Antley and R. Crenshaw accepted the invitation and were welcomed to seats.

Our arrangement for correspondence with other bodies was made as follows: Elds. B. Sims W. R. Butler, and Bro. J. J. Crane were appointed to go to Harmony Association. Elds. N. L. Clarke, S. King and Bro. B. F. Duke, to Salem Association.

Called for report of committees.

Committee to write Letters reported. Report adopted and Letters given to our messengers to other bodies. (See Appendix A.)

Committee on Sabbath Schools reported. After interesting remarks from several brethren and some amendments, the report was adopted. (Appendix B.)

Committee on Queries and Requests reported. Adopted. (Appendix C.)

Committee on Missions reported. The report was re-committed with instructions to amend. After a time, re-read and adopted. (Appendix D.)

Committee on State of Religion and Fraternal Correspondence made their report. After impressive remarks from Bro. King, report adopted. (Appendix E.)

Committee on Nominations reported. Report approved. (Appendix F.)

Financial Committee made their report. Adopted. (Appendix G.)

The hour having arrived the special order from Saturday was called up. The report was re-read and adopted. (Appendix H.)

On motion, the Missionary business was taken up.

Resolved, That this Association appoint Eld. N. L. Clarke to travel and labor as Missionary within our bounds or one half of his time, and that he be allowed two dollars per day in gold, or its equivalent, for his services.

Bro. Clarke accepted the appointment and requested that prayer should be offered for the divine blessing to attend the appointment. Brother Murrell led in prayer.

Resolved, That this body recommend the churches composing the same, to observe the Saturday in January next, on which their Conference occurs, as a day of Fasting and Prayer, in order to seek the divine blessing upon the churches—especially that the Lord would send forth laborers into his harvest.

Resolved, That Eld. W. R. Butler be appointed to preach the next Introductory Sermon, and Eld. W. A. Hutson be his alternate.

Resolved, That Eld. L. P. Murrell be appointed to preach the next annual sermon on Missions, and that Eld. A. Grissett be alternate.

Resolved, That the next meeting of this body be held with Zion Church, Kemper County, Miss., on Saturday before the third Lord's day in Sept. A. D. 1870.

Resolved That the Clerk be instructed to have these minutes printed, including the Abstract of Faith, Gospel Order, Objects and Powers and Rules of Decorum, distribute them, receive \$25 00 for his services, and draw on the Treasury for all necessary funds.

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the Treasurer's hands, after all the expenses of the Association are paid, be turned over to the Mission cause, and that the Treasurer be instructed accordingly.

Resolved, That the thanks of this body are due, and are hereby tendered to Hillsboro Church and community, for their great kindness and liberality in supporting this meeting.

Adjourned to meet at the time and place before named, after a most harmonious and pleasant session. Closing prayer by Eld. J. M. Pearson.

N. L. CLARKE, Moderator.

W. R. BUTLER, Clerk.

Ordained Ministers and their Post Offices.

N. L. CLARKE, Decatur.
A. GRISETT, Decatur.
L. P. MURRELL, Lake.
D. FORE, Lake.
J. HERRINGTON, Union.
O. F. BRELAND, Union.
A. WINSTEAD, Union.

S. KING, Garlandville.
J. WILLIAMS, Garlandville.
W. A. HUTSON, Hillsboro.
W. R. BUTLER, Hillsboro.
B. SIMS, Morton.
G. W. GUNN, Trenton.
A. G. GUNN, Trenton.

Licentiates and their Post Offices.

J. A. BATES,
F. SANSING, Union.
J. M. MOORE, Union.
T. K. COLE, Trenton.
E. S. CLARKE, Philadelphia.

M. B. KIRK, Beech Springs.
J. H. GRUNDY, Lake.
W. M. FLANAGAN, Garlandville.
J. G. MELTON.
Z. T. FAULKNER, Forest.

APPENDICES.

APPENDIX A.

Report of Committee to Write Letters.

We, your Committee to whom was appointed the duty of preparing correspondence with other bodies, respectfully report that we have written to Harmony and Salem Associations and hold the letters subject to your order.

B. F. DUKE, Chairman.

APPENDIX B.

Report of Committee on Sabbath Schools.

Your Committee on Sabbath Schools report: We were exceedingly sorry to find that so little has been said upon this subject in the letters to the Association. We take for granted that their silence is an indication that there is not that interest manifested by the churches upon this important subject that we could wish. We regard the Sabbath School system next in point of importance to the promulgation of the Gospel by our efficient ministry. If, for instance, the old Testament Scriptures were, as Paul said to Timothy, "able to make wise unto salvation," of how much more importance the Old and New combined. Besides we are admonished to train up a child in the way he should go, and also to "remember our Creator in the days of our youth." Further, we regard the Sabbath Schools as the greatest auxiliaries to the churches of any institutions of the day, and, especially, where proper attention is given to Bible classes.

We deem it, therefore, of the highest importance to train the rising generation to understand properly the great doctrines of the Bible, as taught and practiced by us. Infidelity and religious error are making rapid

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strides and should be met with the sword of the spirit at every point. That this subject should be brought fairly before our churches, we would recommend the passing of a resolution requesting the ministers of our association to urge this matter upon the churches of their respective charges.

Resolved, That we deem well organized Sabbath Schools of so much importance that we make it a special request of the ministry laboring in our bounds to endeavor to organize a Sabbath School and Bible class in every church and congregation under their charge.

Resolved, further, That we hereby request the churches of our Association to give a full report of their Sabbath Schools in their next annual communication to this body.

Respectfully submitted,
D. D. BOOTH, Chairman.

APPENDIX C.

Report of Committee on Queries and Requests.

We, your Committee, beg leave to report: In answer to the queries from Garlandville churches, to-wit: 1st. Is it in accordance with the teachings of Christ and the apostles for a church to retain in fellowship a member who separates from or puts away his wife for all time to come, for any other cause, save the cause of "Fornication or Adultery?" We refer to the teachings of Christ as recorded by Mark, 10th chap., 9-9v: "And the Pharisees came to him and asked him, is it lawful for a man to put away his wife, tempting him, and he answered and said unto them, What did Moses command you? And they said Moses suffered to write a bill of divorcement and put her away. And Jesus answered and said unto them, for the hardness of your heart, he wrote you this precept. But from the beginning of the creation, God made them male and female. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and cleave to his wife; And they shall be one flesh, so then they are no more twain, but one flesh. What, therefore, God hath joined

together, let no man put assunder." Also, Eph. 5th chap., 25-33v: "Husbands love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church and gave himself for it, that he might sanctify it and cleanse it with the washing of water by the Word, that he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but it should be holy and without blemish. So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself. For no man ever yet hated his own flesh, but nourisheth it and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the church, for we are members of his body, of his flesh and of his bones. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother and be joined unto his wife and they two shall be one flesh; this is a great mystery, but I speak concerning Christ and the Church. Nevertheless, let every one of you in particular, so love his wife, even as himself, and the wife see that she reverence her husband." And the teaching of the New Testament generally, the spirit of which is contrary to the putting away of a wife except for one cause.

2nd. Is it in accordance with the teaching of Christ and the apostles for a church to retain in fellowship a man who enters into the marriage relation with a woman with the understanding that if they could not get along well together that they would separate, and after marriage did separate from her, and at the same time stated to the church that she was a virtuous and God serving woman—she was courteous and social in her associations, in which condition he was always proud of her? In reply to which we say the teachings of Christ and the apostles recognize no such agreement. Neither does the law of our State, and if they were not married and living together in accordance with the laws of Christ, they should not be retained in fellowship by any church.

We recommend that the request of Zion Church for the next meeting of the Association to be held with them, be granted. All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. EASTLAND, Chairman.

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Report of Committee on Missions.

Your Committee would report the following: We learn from the report of your missionary that there is still destitution within the bounds of this Association; and we believe that God requires us as his people to supply the destitution. It is said in His Word that "the Lord loves a cheerful giver;" and as the subject of Missions, both Domestic and Foreign, is one that should commend itself to every believing heart. And, whereas, there are very many of the widows and orphans of our deceased soldiers that are left destitute of the preached Word, and as such are bequeathed to us as a sacred legacy; and whereas, from them comes up the Macedonian cry, come over and help us: Therefore, Resolved, That we urge upon our churches and brethren the obligations we are under to supply their wants by a continuation of the Missionary work within your bounds.

Resolved, further, That the efforts for the spread of the gospel throughout foreign countries meet our hearty approbation, and that our sympathies are enlisted in the good work, and would recommend a continuation of the same.

Submitted,

A. GRISSETT, Chairman.

APPENDIX E.

Report of Committee on State of Religion and Fraternal Correspondence with the Churches.

See address on 1st page.

APPENDIX F.

Report of Committee on Nominations.

We, your Committee, recommend the appointment of Eld. W. R. Butler to preach the next introductory ser-

mon and Eld. W. A. Hutson as alternate.

Also, Eld. L. P. Murrell to preach the next annual sermon on Missions, and Eld. A. Grissett, alternate. The following as Executive Board. (See last page on cover.)

W. W. HARDY, Chairman.

APPENDIX G.

Report of Committee on Finance.

Your Committee would report that they have examined the Treasurer's report and find a balance in his hands as per report:

For Associational purposes.....	\$ 35 55
Rec'd for " " from churches.....	146 40
" " Missionary " ".....	274 95
Collected Lord's day for Missions.....	52 35
" by Treasurer on Subscription.....	88 05

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Submitted,

H. COOPER, Chairman.

APPENDIX H.

Annual Report of the Executive Board.

Your Board feels thankful to the Father of mercies for His goodness to us in the past and in allowing us to present this, our annual report. We feel that His favors have still been to us and His Divine blessings attended us through the past Associational year. We are glad to say that none of our members have died during the year. We have held meetings in the months of November and May—the one in January failed. At which meetings your Missionary has been present and presented his report of labor, which has evidenced faithfulness and success. His final report presents the fact that he has spent 165 days in the work, preached 200 times, baptized 21 persons, re-

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ceived 20 by letter, constituted 2 churches, has licensed one preacher and traveled 2370 miles, with much additional labor in prayer, visiting, conversations, &c. Your Missionary has sustained the relation of supply to five feeble churches, a part or all of the time. He reports much feeling in the congregations generally. Your Board feels encouraged in view of the past—even to thank God and take courage. Your Missionary speaks of remaining destitution within the bounds of the Association and that it would be important to reach it. So your Board would recommend the continuation of the work, at least, so far as to continue a Missionary in the field for one half of the time. The claims of your Missionary up to the last Association have been met. Respectfully submitted,
W. R. BUTLER, Secretary.

Abstract of Faith.

PREAMBLE.

We, the Churches of Jesus Christ, who have been regularly baptized upon a profession of our faith, and convinced of the utility of a combination of churches, and of maintaining a correspondence for the preserving of union amongst churches of the same faith, form ourselves into an Association upon the following principles, viz:

1. We believe in one Triune God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, the same in essence, equal in power and glory.

2. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by the inspiration of God, and are the only rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe in the fall of Adam from his original rectitude, and in him, all his posterity; in consequence of which we inherit a fallen and depraved nature; consequently, the scriptural doctrine of the total depravity of human nature, and of man's inability to restore himself into the favor of God.

3. We believe that God hath loved his people with an everlasting love; that he chose them in Christ before the

foundation of the world; that he calleth them with a holy and effectual calling and being justified alone through the righteousness of Christ imputed to them, are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.

5. We believe there is one Mediator between God and man—the Man Christ Jesus—who, by the satisfaction he made to the law and justice, in becoming an offering for sin, hath, by His most precious blood, become the end of the law for righteousness, to every one that believeth.

6. We believe that the Gospel is God's appointed means of calling sinners to the knowledge of the truth—that he has commanded it to be preached to every creature, and requires all men to repent, believe and obey.

7. We believe that the Gospel is made effectual by the operation of the Holy Spirit, and that the sinner, in order to be saved, must be born again.

8. We believe that good works are the fruits of faith, and follow after justification, and are evidences of a gracious state, and all believers are bound to obey every command of God from a principle of love.

9. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, a general judgment, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

Gospel Order.

1. We believe that a visible Church of Christ is a congregation of faithful persons, who have given themselves to the Lord and to one another in brotherly covenant, to keep up a Godly discipline, agreeably to the rules of the New Testament.

2. We believe that Jesus Christ is the only Head and Lawgiver of his church; that the government is with the body, the church, and is equally the right and privilege of each member thereof.

3. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are gospel ordinances, appointed by Jesus Christ, and are to be continued in the Church until his second coming.

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4. We believe that the ordinances of Baptism and the Lord's Supper are properly administered only by Ministers called of God, and set apart to the work by the imposition of hands by a Presbytery of regular Baptist Ministers.

5. We believe that immersion only, is Baptism, and that believers in Christ are the only proper subjects.

6. We believe that none but regularly baptized church members have a right to partake of the Lord's Supper.

7. We believe that it is the duty and privilege of all believers to make a public profession of their faith, to submit to the ordinances of the gospel, and give themselves as members to the visible church.

8. We believe it to be the duty of every church to expel from her communion, every member that is immoral in conduct, or that holds doctrines contrary to the Scriptures.

Objects and Powers of this Association.

1. This Association acknowledges and maintains that each church is an independent body, and possesses the sole right to exercise and control its own affairs; and, therefore, this Association has no right or power to interfere with the internal rights and privileges of churches composing its body, but may withdraw from any church which may hold false doctrine, or tolerate immoral practices.

2. The objects of this Association shall be to promote fellowship and harmony among the churches; to inquire into any difficulties between churches, and remove them, if possible; to give the churches the best advice they can, in difficult matters, when solicited, and, in general, to advance the interests of the Redeemer's Kingdom in any way they may deem practicable.

2. With regard to the benevolent institutions in our country, we declare it to be the inalienable right of every Association, of every church, of every individual member

of a church, to support them, or not to support them, according to their own views of duty and dictates of their own conscience; and the right shall never be called in question in this Association. And any motion, whereby this right is called in question, shall be instantly ruled out by the Moderator, as being unconstitutional.

4. This Association may maintain a friendly correspondence, when convenient, with other religious bodies of the same faith and order.

5. Ministers of the Gospel, in good standing, though not delegates, may be invited to seats in the Association, but not to have the privilege of voting.

6. The Association may appoint any person or persons, by and with their consent, to transact any business they may deem necessary.

7. The Association may adjourn at any time and place they may think proper.

8. The Association shall keep a record of their proceedings, and have them printed when necessary.

9. The Association shall have a fund, and appoint a Treasurer to take charge of it, who shall account to the Association for all moneys which shall come into his hands for the use of the Association.

10. The Association may form their own By-Laws, and regulate their own proceedings in such a manner as they may think expedient.

Rules of Decorum.

1. This Association shall consist of delegates chosen by the churches to which they respectively belong, and shall be styled the Mount Pisgah Association.

2. Such delegates shall be members in good standing, and no member under church censure shall be allowed a seat in the Association.

3. They shall produce letters certifying their appointment by their respective churches, and stating the number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed, excommunicated and deceased, during the preceding associational year, with the total number in fellowship, and

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such other statistical matters as the Association may direct.

4. This Association shall have a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be annually chosen by a majority of the members present, by ballot or otherwise. Said officers shall fill their respective places, if present at the succeeding Association, until a new election takes place; and while in office, shall discharge the duties ordinarily incident to those offices.

5. If new churches desire to be admitted into the Association, they shall petition by letter and delegates, and, if orthodox and orderly, shall be received, and the Moderator shall recognize them by giving their delegates the right hand of fellowship in behalf of the body.

6. Every church shall be allowed two delegates and no more, until her number shall exceed one hundred—three, until it shall exceed one hundred and fifty, then four, and no more.

7. The Association shall neither answer nor debate any query on Gospel doctrine, except it be merely to explain the meaning of the Articles of Faith of this Association.

8. Every motion made in order and seconded, shall be reduced to writing, if requested by any member, and shall be considered by the Association, except withdrawn by the mover before discussion.

9. Motions made and lost, shall not be recorded on the minutes, unless so ordered at the time.

10. If any proposition or motion under debate, contain two or more points, it shall be divided at the request of any member, and the vote taken on each point separately.

11. Only one member shall speak at the same time, who shall arise from his seat and address the Moderator. He shall confine himself to the subject properly in debate, cast no reflections on the Association, or any members thereof, and shall not be interrupted while speaking.

12. No person shall speak more than three times upon the same subject, without leave of the Association.

13. The Moderator shall have the privilege of speaking on any question in debate, the Chair being previously filled. He shall rise from his seat to put the question to the body.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES.	COUNTIES.	POST OFFICE.	DELEGATES.	Baptized.	Rec'd by Letter.	Restored.	Dis'd by Letter.
Hillsboro Union	Scott	Hillsboro	I. C. Haralson, G. C. Harper, W. R. Butler.	25	23	3	1
New Prospect	Scott	Hillsboro	J. Canada, W. L. Summers.		2	1	11
Ebenezer	Scott	Forest	Z. T. Faulkner.	6	3		2
Sardis	Neshoba	Beech Spring	W. Walton, T. McKee.			1	12
Enon	Scott	Sebastopol	J. E. Spire, W. A. Welch.	2	7		15
Sulphur Spring	Neshoba	Union	O. F. Breland, D. C. Booth.	6	11	2	13
Pleasant Hill	Scott	Damascus	A. G. Ams, R. King.		2		9
Zion	Newton	Lake	J. M. Pace, J. M. Haralson, J. R. Weaver.	9	8	3	51
Bluff Springs	Kemper	Rio	J. Chism, C. A. Heathcock.	7	2	1	4
Beulah	Lauderdale	Meridian	J. Poole, T. C. Porter.	6	2	1	4
Decatur	Newton	Decatur	A. Grissitt, W. Gram.	13	8	1	3
Poplar Spring	Newton	Decatur	N. L. Clarke, I. Bailie, H. Cooper, S. E. Hale.	17	5	1	20
Pine Ridge	Newton	Newton	E. Dean.	25	3		5
Bethel	Newton	Lake	Letter.	12	11		5
Tallahala	Newton	Newton	E. E. Haralson, J. C. Haralson.	3	11		25
Garlandville	Scott	Lake	Not represented.				
Good Hope	Jasper	Garlandville	S. King, W. W. Hardy.		4		4
Mt. Pisgah	Newton	Hickory	G. M. Williamson, J. B. Ishe.	1	6		4
Randall Hill	Jasper	Moss Hill	E. McCarty.		5		2
Leaf River	Jasper	Garlandville	L. S. Lay.	6	5	1	6
Line Creek	Smith	Forest	J. O. Carr.		1		3
Mt. Carmel	Scott	Morton	W. A. Hutson, M. E. Tanning.	2	9		6
Hickory	Smith	Homewood	J. W. Moore, J. Davis.				2
County Line	Newton	Hickory	J. E. Ferguson, W. S. Ferguson.				5
Binckney	Neshoba	Union	J. C. Walton.	1	4	1	6
Shioli	Newton	Union	J. Boler, J. J. Webb.	2	5		6
Fellowship	Smith	Trenton	T. K. Cole.	3	7		4
Biney Grove	Lauderdale	Meridian	V. L. Murphy, J. H. Revel.	6	2	2	14
Herbert	Neshoba	Union	Letter.	12	11		2
Center Hill	Neshoba	Herbert	D. C. Keen, J. S. Thomas.	8	8	1	12
Homewood	Neshoba	Philadelphia	Letter.	1	2		
Liberty	Scott	Homewood	Not represented.				
New Prospect	Newton	Chunkey	J. D. Harrison, J. W. Sessions.		2		5
New Providence	Newton	Sebastopol	Not represented.				
Hopewell	Neshoba	High Hill	Not represented.				
Forest	Scott	Forest	J. A. Hendon, Sr., B. Sims.		2		
Lake	Scott	Forest	A. Eastland, J. J. Crane.	8	5		5
Rocky Creek	Scott	Lake	T. J. Smith, J. Edwards.		1		
Good Hope	Scott	Morton	H. A. S. Thompson, A. Gordon.	4	6		
Pleasant Grove	Neshoba	Philadelphia	E. S. Clarke, O. T. Trapp.	9	5	1	3
Mt. Pleasant	Newton	Union	J. Howington, J. C. Pearey.	8	7	2	6
	Newton	Chunkey	J. Jolly, J. Tatum.	2	4		8
(New Churches)							
Union	Neshoba	Philadelphia	J. F. Aldridge, W. S. McMichael.				
Memphis	Scott	Lake	E. P. Murrell, I. N. Nichols.	11	8		
Neshoba	Neshoba	Philadelphia	M. A. Martin, J. T. Rice.	3	1	2	
Marion	Smith		W. Vinzant, J. G. Melton.	2	8		
Sylvan	Smith	Sylvan	B. F. Duke.				
Newton	Newton	Newton	M. P. Williams.	2	2		

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	Baptized.	Rec'd by Letter.	Restored.	Dis'd by Letter.	Excluded.	Deat.	W. Males.	W. Fem's.	Colored.	Total.	No. Min's.	Assocat Fund.	Mission Fund.	Time of Meeting.	O. Min's.	Licentiate's	PASTOR OR SUPPLY.
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